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Docket No.: 049657-0983

<u>PATENT</u>

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Customer Number: 20277

Toshihiro TSUMURA

Confirmation Number: 8460

Application No.: 09/775,514

Group Art Unit: 2633

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Examiner: Hanh Phan

For: MULTI-CHANNEL OPTICAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEM THAT CONTROLS OPTICAL REFLECTION FOR EACH CHANNEL AND OPTICAL TRANSMITTING AND RECEIVING

APPARATUS THEREFOR

RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTION OF SPECIES

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

Noting the Office Action of May 20, 2005 wherein an election of Species has been required, Applicants hereby elect Species A (Fig. 1, upon which claims 1-3, 6, 8, 10, 12, 13 and 18 are readable) for prosecution in the above-identified application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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